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To Steve Spurlin/R4/USEPA/US@EPA

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Subject NRC#809003

NATIONAL RESPONSE CENTER - FLASH FAX ***GOVERNMENT USE ONLY***GOVERNMENT USE ONLY*** DO NOT RELEASE this information to the public without permission from the NATIONAL RESPONSE CENTER 1-800-424-8802

Incident Report # 809003

INCIDENT DESCRIPTION

*Report taken by: CIV NYDIA RAWLS at 14:58 on 24-AUG-06

Incident Type: FIXED

Incident Cause: EQUIPMENT FAILURE

Affected Area:

The incident was discovered on 21-AUG-06 at 09:00 local time.

Affected Medium: LAND GROUND

REPORTING PARTY

Name:

JAMES GINTER

Organization:

ERACHEM COMILOG 735 FOOT LANE

Address:

NEW JOHNSONVILLE, TN 37134

ERACHEM COMILOG called for the responsible party.

PRIMARY Phone: (931)5356473

Type of Organization: PRIVATE ENTERPRISE

SUSPECTED RESPONSIBLE PARTY

Name:

JAMES GINTER

Organization:

ERACHEM COMILOG

Address:

735 FOOT LANE

NEW JOHNSONVILLE, TN 37134

PRIMARY Phone: (931)5356473

Type of Organization: PRIVATE ENTERPRISE

INCIDENT LOCATION

735 FOOT LANE

County: HUMPHREYS

City: NEW JOHNSONVILLE State: TN

Zip: 37134

RELEASED MATERIAL(S)

CHRIS Code: SFA

Official Material Name: SULFURIC ACID

Also Known As: SULFURIC ACID (93%)

Qty Released: 3556 GALLON(S)

DESCRIPTION OF INCIDENT

CALLER STATED THAT A BREECH IN THE FLOORING OF A CONTAINMENT DIKE OCCURRED WHICH CAUSED 3556 GALLONS OF SULFURIC ACID TO DISCHARGE

ONTO THE GROUND. THIS WAS DUE TO EQUIPMENT FAILURE.

INCIDENT DETAILS

Building ID:



40 -> tw 69 (curden)

A/10 east, Pet

on Long St.

to Fook

Type of Fixed Object: CHEMICAL FACILITY

Power Generating Facility: NO

Generating Capacity:

Type of Fuel:

NPDES:

NPDES Compliance: UNKNOWN

DAMAGES

Fire Involved: NO Fire Extinguished: UNKNOWN

INJURIES:

Hospitalized:

Empl/Crew:

Passenger:

FATALITIES:

Empl/Crew:

Passenger:

Occupant:

EVACUATIONS:

Who Evacuated:

Radius/Area:

Damages:

Direction of Hours

Closure Type Description of Closure

Closed Closure

Air: N

N

Major N Artery:

Waterway: N

Track:

Road:

Passengers Transferred: NO

Media Interest: NONE Community Impact due to Material: NO

REMEDIAL ACTIONS

RELEASE WAS STOPPED AND THE PIPING WAS ISOLATED TO STOP FURTHER

LEAKING, CLEAN UP UNDERWAY

Release Secured: YES

Release Rate:

Estimated Release Duration:

WEATHER

Weather: CLEAR, 70°F

ADDITIONAL AGENCIES NOTIFIED

Federal:

State/Local:

State/Local On Scene: State Agency Number:

NOTIFICATIONS BY NRC

DOT CRISIS MANAGEMENT CENTER (PRIMARY)

24-AUG-06 15:08 (202)3661863

EPA OEM (PRIMARY)

(202) 5643850

U.S. EPA IV (PRIMARY)

(404) 6504955

FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (PRIMARY)

(800) 6347084

GULF STRIKE TEAM (PRIMARY)

(251) 4416601

NATIONAL INFRASTRUCTURE COORD CTR (PRIMARY)

24-AUG-06 15:08 (202)2829201

NOAA RPTS FOR TN (PRIMARY)

24-AUG-06 15:08 (206)5266344

SECTOR OHIO VALLEY (COMMAND CENTER)
24-AUG-06 15:08 (502)5825194

SECTOR OHIO VALLEY (MSD NASHVILLE)
24-AUG-06 15:08 (615)7365421

TN EMERGENCY RESPONSE (PRIMARY)
24-AUG-06 15:08 (615)7410001

STEVE SPURLIN EPAIV (STEVE SPURLIN EPAIV)
24-AUG-06 15:08

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

CALLER WILL NOTIFY STATE AND LOCAL AUTHORITIES. CALLER ALSO STATED THAT THIS INCIDENT OCCURRED ON 20-AUG-06, BUT WAS NOT DISCOVERED UNTIL 21-AUG-06.

*** END INCIDENT REPORT 809003 ***

Report any problems or Fax number changes by calling 1-800-424-8802

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United States Environmental Protection Agency Region IV POLLUTION REPORT

Date:

Thursday, August 31, 2006

From:

Steve Spurlin, On-Scene Coordinator

To:

Steve Spurlin, EPA

Matt Taylor, EPA Region 4

Anita Davis, ERRB/ORS

Subject: First & Final Polrep

Erachem Comilog H2SO4 Spill 735 Foote Lane, New Johnsonville, TN

Latitude: 35.9958 Longitude: -87.965

POLREP No.:

Site #:

Reporting Period:

8/25-8/31/06

D.O. #:

Start Date:

Response Authority:

CERCLA

Mob Date: Completion Date: 8/25/2006

Response Type:

Emergency Non NPL

CERCLIS ID #:

NPL Status: Incident Category:

Removal Action

RCRIS ID #:

Contract #

Site Description

On 8/24/06, EPA was notified via NRC report # 809003 of an estimated 3556 gallon sulfuric acid spill at the Erachem Comilog Facility located at 735 Foote Lane, New Johnsonville, Humphries Co., TN. The spill resulted from a failed seal on a transfer pump. The company discovered the release on 8/21/06, but did not report the incident until making a volume calculation on 8/24. The acid spilled into a lined containment area; however, the floor of the containment failed and an unknown quantity of acid escaped containment.

Current Activities

OSC Spurlin was dispatched on 8/25/06, and arrived on-site at 0930hrs. The OSC met with facility reps and viewed the spill area. The containment area was in poor condition from exposure to past acid releases. A hole of 6-8" was observed through the concrete floor near the sump area. Facility reps indicated a large quantity of the material drained through the hole.

OSC Spurlin directed the facility to hire a cleanup contractor to remove the remaining waste residue in the containment, provide a temporary patch for the hole, and investigate where the acid may be located in the subgrade. EraChem hired 1st Response Inc., who mobilized 8/25 and initiated cleanout of containment. Cleanout was completed on 8/25, and concrete was poured over the hole as a temporary measure to prevent subsequent releases.

While on-scene, OSC Spurlin contacted TDEC's Solid & Haz. Waste program (Mr. Ed Cox, Mr. Roger Donovon) to ensure they were aware of the release at a regulated facility. Mr. Daniel Roop of TDEC conducted a site visit on 8/28/06. OSC Spurlin demobed from the site on 8/25/06.

Planned Removal Actions

OSC Spurlin received an update from the facility on 8/29. The facility had discovered that the acid had traveled to a nearby former sanitary sewer line and flowed to a 4' by 12' sump at the former sanitary treatment operation on site. The facility was flushing the pipe and pumping the acid to their on-site water treatment system for neutralization.

Next Steps

The TDEC will take the lead on further investigation and remediation efforts at the facility.

While on-site, OSC Spurlin conducted an SPCC inspection. The inspection information has been forwarded to Atlanta for follow-up.

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8/31/2006

	Budgeted	Total To Date	Remaining .	% Remaining
Extramural Costs				
Intramural Costs				
Total Site Costs	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%

^{*} The above accounting of expenditures is an estimate based on figures known to the OSC at the time this report was written. The OSC does not necessarily receive specific figures on final payments made to any contractor(s). Other financial data which the OSC must rely upon may not be entirely up-to-date. The cost accounting provided in this report does not necessarily represent an exact monetary figure which the government may include in any claim for cost recovery.

www.epaosc.org/erachem



To ed.cox@state.tn.us

cc daniel.roop@state.tn.us, Steve Spurlin/R4/USEPA/US@EPA

Subject GW Monitoring - Sulfuric Acid

Ed,

The Groundwater Monitoring - Sulfuric Acid Report is attached. Please let me know if you have any trouble opening the attachment.

Thank you,

Richard Stewart, CHMM

Erachem-Comilog 20060908 ARC GW Mon Results Sulfuric Acid.pdf pitmon06.xls